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FOR NEA/EX

PASS TO WAYNE SWEDENBURG

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AFSP, SA

SUBJECT: HOUSING

REF: A-JIDDA 4693, B-JIDDA 4449, C-JIDDA 4204

1. IN ENVISIONING MEETING HOUSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL BEING ASSIGNED TO JIDDA, WE HAVE CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS WITH LANDLORD OF APARTMENT HOUSE DESCRIBED IN REFTEL C. LANDLORD IS ASKING SR 60,000 (\$17,021.28) PER EACH OF SIX UNITS, WITH ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE (\$102,127.66). LEASE WOULD BE FOR THREE YEARS, WITH TWO ONE-YEAR OPTIONS THEREAFTER. APARTMENT HOUSE MAY BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY BETWEEN 15 AUGUST AND 1 SEPTEMBER. DATE OF OCCUPANCY WILL BE LEASE START DATE.

2. WE ARE FACED WITH IMMEDIATE NEED TO ACCOMMODATE JEAN BINKLEY (NEW SECRETARY DUE IN AUGUST), DCM'S SECRETARY (YET UNNAMED), MARK WILLIS (STILL RESIDING IN FSL QUARTERS), AND CREW FOR AMBASSADOR'S AIRCRAFT (SEE REFTEL A).

3. DAO ADVISES PRICE PER UNIT OF APARTMENT HOUSE IS ACCEPTABLE AND CLOSE TO ITS ESTIMATES PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TO DIA.

4. WE HAVE ADVISED LANDLORD THAT YOU WILL BE DISCUSSING HOUSING

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PROBLEMS WITH DEPARTMENT AND THAT EMBASSY WILL BE IN POSITION

TO ADVISE ITS DECISION UPON YOUR RETURN.

5. EARL FERGUSON WILL BE IN WASHINGTON AREA ON R&R AS OF JULY 11.
HE WILL CONTACT YOU TO SET MEETING IN DEPARTMENT TO DISCUSS
HOUSING AND OTHER MATTERS.

6. FOR DEPARTMENT: PER REFTTEL B, PLEASE ADVISE STATUS POST'S
REQUEST THAT FERGUSON BE AUTHORIZED FOUR DAYS FOR CONSULTATION.
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